

REMARKS

This is an Amendment after Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.312 and MPEP §714.16. The present Amendment amends the claims to cancel claim 7.

It is submitted that this Amendment should be entered at this time pursuant to MPEP §714.16. Specifically, MPEP §714.16 authorizes the Examiner to enter amendments submitted after Notice of Allowance which embody the cancellation of claims from the application. This Amendment merely cancels claim 7 from this application.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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